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1. A Soviet field artillery regiment, equipped with thirty 85 mm field guns. twelve 120 mm light howitzers and an unknown number of 76 mm mountain guas. is stationed at Haimsotun (121-39, 38-59). All of the artillery pieces are mountel on trucks.

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Comment. Soviet field artillery does not include 85 mm and 120 mm guns; however, there are Soviet anti-eircraft guns with these calibers. It is possible that the above unit is an anti-aircraft regiment, particularly as the guns are on truck mounts rather than the usual solit trail field carriage typical of Soviet field artillery.)

- 2. Soviet military police patrol the coast between Hsiaopingtao (121-30, 38-49) and Hsingpu (121-34, 38-53). A patrol post has been established at Established at Islandsingtao (4 2 3) (unlocated) and since 20 May 1948, the Soviet authorities have prohibited all traffic into the Hsiaohsingtao area except for residents of the area who have been issued special identification passes bearing their photo and fingerprints. Inspection is strict and Chinese interpreters assist the inspecting officials.
- 3. On 19 May 1948, a convoy of 76 Soviet trucks, each loaded with three tons of salt, left Fuhsien (122-02, 39-38) for Port Arthur. These vehicles are attached to a Soviet transportation unit and are based at a dairy farm in Shahokou (38-55, 121-35). An additional 160 trucks assigned to the same transportation unit are stationed at a firmer Japanese club a short distance south of the dairy farm. There are over 420 Soviet troops in this transportation unit.

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